UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

HUDSON REALTY CAPITAL FUND III, LP, HRC FUND III POOLING DOMESTIC LLC, and HRC FUND III POOLING REIT, LLC,

Plaintiffs,

-against-

MILLENIA LUXURY CONDOMINIUMS (FLORIDA) LLC, EDUARDO AVILA and JACK KAPLAN,

Defendants.

Case No. 07 Civ. 03614 (RPP)

AFFIDAVIT OF MICHAEL S. GORDON IN OPPOSITION TO DEFENDANTS' MOTION TO DISMISS, OR, IN THE ALTERNATIVE TO TRANSFER VENUE

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STATE OF NEW YORK)) ss.: COUNTY OF NEW YORK)

MICHAEL S. GORDON, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

- 1. I am a member of the law firm of Katten Muchin Rosenman LLP, attorneys for Plaintiffs, Hudson Realty Capital Fund III, LP ("Hudson"), HRC Fund III Pooling Domestic LLC ("HRC Domestic"), and HRC Fund III Pooling REIT, LLC ("HRC REIT") (collectively, "Plaintiffs") I make this affidavit in opposition to the motion of Defendants, Millenia Luxury Condominiums (Florida), LLC ("Millenia"), Eduardo Avila ("Avila") and Jack Kaplan ("Kaplan") (collectively "Defendants") to dismiss the complaint pursuant to Rule 12(b)(6) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, or, in the alternative, to transfer the case to the United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida.
- 2. Annexed hereto as Exhibit A is a true and correct copy of the Complaint in this action, which initially was filed in New York Supreme Court, New York County: <u>Hudson Realty Capital Fund III, LP.</u>, et al. v. Millenia Luxury Condominiums (Florida), LLC, et al., Index No. 601392/07, and then removed to this Court by Defendants, pursuant to a Notice of Removal filed

on May 7, 2007. The Mezzanine Guaranty and Mezzanine Loan Agreement at issue in this action are annexed as Exhibits A and B, respectively, to the Complaint.

- 3. Annexed hereto as Exhibit B is a true and correct copy of the docket sheet for the action improperly commenced by Defendants in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida entitled: Millenia Luxury Condominiums (Florida) LLC, Eduardo Avila and Jack Kaplan v. Hudson Realty Capital Fund III LP, HRC Fund III Pooling Domestic LLC, and HRC Fund III Pooling REIT, LLC, No. 07-20332-CIV-Graham/O'Sullivan (S.D. Fla.) (the "Florida Federal Action").
- 4. Annexed hereto as Exhibit C is a true and correct copy of the Second Amended Complaint filed by Defendants in the Florida Federal Action on May 29, 2007.

MICHAEL S. GORDON

Sworn to before me this 30th day of November 2007

Notary Public

MARTIN EDWARD KARLINSKY Notary Public, State of New York No. 01KA6146247 Qualified in New York County Commission Expires May 15, 2010